

Amendment No. 1 to HB2362

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 2224**

**House Bill No. 2362\***

by deleting Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the printed bill in their entirety and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-154(b)(1), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(1) A caretaker relative who becomes ineligible for any reason other than a failure to comply with work requirements or to cooperate with child support obligations shall be eligible for transitional child care assistance for a period specified by the department while the caretaker relative is employed, in school, or in employment training. Child care assistance terminated due to failure to comply with work requirements shall be reinstated upon verification by the department that the work requirements were, in fact, being met immediately preceding such ineligibility. Child care assistance shall be paid, on a sliding fee scale based upon the family's income for so long as federal funding or any related waiver is in effect.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-154(h)(2)(D), is amended by deleting subdivision (h)(2)(D) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(D) The personal responsibility plan may provide transportation assistance, if needed to participate in required activities; provided, that the department shall first utilize available community transportation resources before providing such assistance from department funds. The department shall provide child care services for those individuals who are receiving benefits, participating in work activities delineated in subsection (g), and not exempt from work activities pursuant to this part.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-3-154(h)(4), is amended by deleting subdivision (4) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

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(4) If, without good cause, a recipient of temporary assistance fails to comply with a child support or work plan requirement imposed by this part or prescribed within the personal responsibility plan, then the family shall be subject to appropriate sanction by the department, which may include termination of assistance for a period to be determined by the Department.